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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231	Application Number	09/242,254
	Filing Date	May 7, 1999
	First Named Inventor	Wolf-Georg FORSSMANN
	Art Unit	1645
	Examiner Name	Padmavathi Baskar
	Attorney Docket Number	FORSSMANN ET AL PCT

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. [Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114]

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on JULY 22, 2002.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Copy of Amendment filed July 22, 2002

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2. [Miscellaneous]

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Other: Petition for 3-month Extension of Time (1 month previously paid) along with check for \$405

3. [Fees]

- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-2468
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Other Additional claim fee
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 370.00 enclosed
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PATENT

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APPLICANT: FORSSMANN ET AL (PCT)

SERIAL NO.: 09/242,254

EXAMINER: P. BASKAR

FILED: MAY 7, 1999

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TITLE: A METHOD FOR DETECTING THE CONDITION OF AN
ORGANISM THROUGH THE MEASUREMENT OF PEPTIDES

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 22, 2002,
with the time for reply having been extended for one month or
until JULY 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows. A Marked Up Version of